

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, December 9, 1729.

From the London Gazette, Decem. 2.

Copenhagen, Nov. 29.

THE 19th Inst. in the Afternoon, a Cannon being to be cast, his Danish Majesty went to the Foundry in this City. In the House appointed for that Purpose, was a Scaffold of 16 or 18 Steps from the Floor, for the Court, where his Majesty with his Attendants stood to see the Performance, and besides them a Crowd of all sorts of People had been permitted to get up upon the same Place. In the Middle of the Work the Cannon burst, but did no Hurt, only the hot Metal setting Fire to some Places of the House where it fell, terrified the People; so that every one pressing forward to save himself, his Majesty was pushed off the Scaffold as he was going to descend the Stairs, and several Persons along with him. He was presently taken up by an Officer, and convoyed to the Palace in the first Coach they found at the Door; the Heat of the Place, the Surprize, and the Violence of the Fall, had taken away his Majesty's Senses, but by Bleeding and other Applications he was soon recovered. His Majesty had a Bruize on his Side, supposed to be occasioned by the Hilt of his Sword, which was broke to Pieces by the Fall. The Prince Royal being otherwise engaged that Day, did not go to the Foundry with the King. As soon as the Place was clear, the Fire was easily extinguished, and no mischief was done but what proceeded from the Hurry and Disorder of the Crowd. The Grand Marshal of the Court is very much hurt, but no Person of Distinction besides. His Danish Majesty has not stirred out of his Chamber ever since the Accident; but is said to be in good Health.

St. James's, Nov. 29. His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Jonathan Belcher, Esq; to be Governor of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire, in New England.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Decem. 4.

Since our last arrived a Mail from Holland.

THE Trial of James Dalton, for attempting to rob Dr. Mead, is put off till next Sessions.

Last Night Mr. Richard Franklin was tried at the Sittings at Westminster, before the Lord Chief Justice Raymond, for publishing the Craftsman of the 8th of March last, in which was inserted a Speech, said to be made by the Alcayde of Seville to their Catholick Majesty's. The Trial lasted 4 Hours, when the Jury went out, and about half an Hour brought in their Verdict *Not Guilty*.

It has been assured by Authority, and on which we entirely rely, That a Treaty of Peace and Friendship is concluded between the Allies of Hanover and the King of Spain, though some Advices from France, by the Holland Mail Yesterday, pretend to say, That it is a Truce for 14 Years; but they add, That it is as mentioned in our last on the same Foot with the Peace of Utrecht, except what relates to Don Carlos.

We have no Account as yet of the Accession of the States General to the Treaty with Spain being signed, but the same is daily expected. Mean Time 'tis insinuated, as if they were not very easy, in respect to the Emperor, who we are informed by Letters from Vienna, has already taken the Measures he judged requisite, even in Case Spain should make a separate Treaty with the Allies of Hanover, and has sent Orders to the States of Austria to furnish the Recruits designed for Italy, with all Things necessary for their March.

Yesterday a Messenger was dispatched from St. James's to his Excellency the Lord Harrington, his Majesty's Ambassador extraordinary at the Court of Spain, from whence it cannot now, that the Peace and Friendship is restored with that Crown, be long before an Ambassador arrives at this Court, on the part of his Catholick Majesty.

We have very melancholly Accounts from the Country of excessive Floods about Newark, Burton and other Places on the Trent, where it is dangerous travelling, and the like from many Parts of the W. and N. W. of England; and from Nek in

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Monmouth Shire, that a Man and his Wife, who was big with Child, passing the Ford near that Place, were carried down the Stream with their Horses, and drowned. That some Part of the Fens in Lincoln Shire was so overflowed, that they do not expect to see dry Ground for many Months, and that great Numbers of Sheep and Cattle have been destroyed by the Torrents.

Yesterday the Reverend Mr. Besworth was chosen by the Haberdashers Company Vicar of Great Whiston in Litchfield Shire, and Mr. Harrison late a Baptist Teacher, is presented by the Lord Chancellor to a Living in that County of 100 l. per Annum.

'Tis computed that the Account of the Trustees of the forfeited Estates of the late Directors of the S. S. Company will amount to near 2 Millions and a half, including the Profits arising from the Interest made by the Produce of the said Estates from time to time. People begin now to sell out their Shares in the S. S. Annuities, to purchase the Stock of that Company, which is risen to 104, 1 half per. Cent.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, Decem. 4.

Paris, Dec. 2. 'Tis not doubted but the Ministers Plenipotentiary of the Congress, will again assemble in a short Time, in consequence of the Treaty signed at Seville the 9th inst. The Court has dispatched a Courier to Vienna, as 'tis said, to invite the Emperor to concur with the Allies of Hanover, to terminate all Things amicably; and for this end, to send back Count Zinzendorf hither. The last Letters from Seville import, that their Catholick Majesties appear well satisfied with the Treaty of Accommodation. 'Tis added that Mr. Keene, Minister of the King of Great Britain, had not by the tenth Inst obtained the Pass-ports which he has solicited a long Time for the Ship which the English S. S. Company sends every Year to the West Indies, but it was not doubted but that he would procure them suddenly.

Brussels, Dec. 5. A Courier arriv'd from Seville, has brought a Letter from Count Coningseck for the Arch-dutchess our Governess. All the Majors of the Imperial and Flemish Regiments have received Orders to come hither, to receive the necessary Instructions, and Money for raising Recruits.

Amsterdam, Dec. 9. The Letters from Rome, Venice and Florence, mention great Damages done by the overflowing of the River Po; particularly, that the Waters had risen to a Level with the Walls of the City Placenza; and that above 400,000 Perch-

es of Land that is sowed, were laid under Water. 'Tis advised from Stockholm, that Orders are sent to the Admiralty at Carlescroon, to keep ready a Number of Seamen to man 12 Ships of War, when it shall be judged proper. The Letters from Brunswick mention, that the Success of the Congress there still remain doubtful.

Jamaica, Oct. 8. The Experiment Man of War is returned from a Cruize, having brought in with her a Spanish Advice Ship of 14 Guns, and 80 Men. She has on Board about 30 Boxes of Letters from Cadiz, directed to the several Governors of the Spanish West-indies. We were alarmed about 14 Days ago, by a Fleet of about 20 Sail of Spanish Ships appearing off the East-end of our Island; but the Captain of this Spanish Ship asserted, that they were the Flota bound from Cadiz to La Vera Cruz, but he says they were first to stop at the Havana. Our Governor called a Council to consider what was proper to be done with this Advice Ship; and she has since been set at Liberty, with her Letters unopened. The Spanish Town-factor, Gray, the Edward and Lewis, Hays, and the Kingston, Smith, are arrived here from London.

Wakefield, Nov. 28. By the late great Rains the Floods here are like a Deluge, and have done very great Damage; particularly on a Common, called the lower Stennard, a Place for stacking of Coals, where the Waters were so rapid, as to carry away Coals to the Value of 2000 l. and upwards, and drowned 200 fat Sheep: A Millstone which lay at the Mill-door, was carried under an Arch of the Bridge; and a Hay-stack at Wilbe, belonging to one Mr. Scot, containing 30 Loads, was by the Floods and Winds carried over the River above 100 Yards broad, and left on the Ground of one Mr. Smith of Newlands, in one entire Stack as it stood before, so that above four Fifths are preserved.

Last Tuesday Morning died, at Knightsbridge, Mrs. Rookby, a near Relation to Sir Robert Walpole's Lady.

Last Monday Night about ten o'Clock, M. Hamilton, a Scots Gentleman, who lodges at Mr. Hamilton's a Barber in the paved Alley Black-fryers, was robb'd by two Men and a Woman, in Shoe-lane, of three Guineas.

At St. Albans they bury many People every Night, and great Numbers ly ill there of the present prevailing Distemper.

An Ambassador extraordinary will speedily be sent to the Court of Spain.

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From the Evening Post, Dec. 4.

Paris, Dec. 7. The Doctors who opposed the Constitution, have petition'd the Parliament; but the same was rejected.

London, Dec. 4. An Express is come from Leicester, with an Account, that when they were going to reduce the Dragoons quartered there, the Men mutinied because the Horses were going to be taken away, and therefore they refused to comply with the Orders from above, and kept to their Arms; whereupon General Wade set out for Leicester at 5 last Monday Morning, to appease this Disorder.

On Monday Night died at his House in Great Pulteney-street, Robert Panton, Esq; a Native of North Britain, and a Gentleman of a very considerable Fortune.

The same Night the Marquis of Seaforth arrived here from North Britain, and hath taken up his Residence at present with his Uncle at Gray's Inn.

Two Foot Pads have for some Nights past infested the Fields near Mile-end, and robbed a great many People.

Tuesday Night Mr. Glover, an eminent Farmer near Walton upon Thames, was attacked near Holburn by two Foot Pads, who robbed him of 15 l. and two Gold Rings.

From the Daily Post-Boy, Dec. 4.

Madrid, Nov. 14. All the Conversation here runs upon the Treaty concluded between his Catholick Majesty and the Allies of Hanover. 'Tis generally agreed, that Col. Stanhope has given a fresh Proof of his Abilities, in bringing this Affair to so speedy an Issue; And tho' we do not yet know the Particulars, we have yet this Ground to believe his Excellency has made Terms that will be acceptable to his Court, That he dispatched Mr. Vane, whose Sister, as it is said, he is to marry, Express for England; which 'tis not supposed he would have done, but to carry welcome News. Mean while it may not be amiss to inform you of the Discourages this Turn of Affairs has occasioned here. We have a sort of Politicians, like some in England, who give a very chimerical Account of the main Ground-work of this Treaty: They insinuate, that Don-Carlos is to marry a certain Princess, with whom he is to have such and such Possessions in Dowry; That his Catholick Majesty is to purchase the Kingdom of Sardinia for 2 Millions of Crowns, and settle the same, together with part of the Possessions above mentioned, upon Don Carlos, in con-

sideration of his Marriage; and that the Spaniards are to have the rest of these Possessions. Lastly, they would persuade us that the Emperor, upon his Accession to this Treaty, will be oblig'd to summon an extraordinary Diet of the Empire, to proceed to the Election of a King of the Romans. These are Articles which we will not pretend to warrant as genuine, or even probable, but only as the Topick of common Conversation here, which serves to amuse some, while it is exploded by Men of Penetration.

Florence, Nov. 19. N. S. On Sunday last, a Jew about 30 Years of Age, whose Father lives in Holland, and is reputed to be very rich, was baptized in the Church of St. John here, with abundance of Ceremony: And it is said, all the Fathers Effects at Leghorn, which are very considerable, will be sequestred, in order to secure a Maintenance for his Son.

Hamburg, Dec. 6. N. S. Our Letters from Iceland brought the melancholly News of a terrible Fire in the North Part of that Country.

London, Dec. 4. In the Trial of Mr. Franklin, for publishing the Craftsman the 8th March last, the Council for the King produced Tustin and Hutcheons to prove they bought it in his Shop on the 25th of that Month. There was some Dispute whether the Boy who sold it was Mr. Franklin's Servant. There was a long Debate, whether the Subject Matter could intend the Affairs of Great Britain; for as it was exprest concerning the most potent Princes and formidable Maritim Powers, it was alledged that other Nations might be intended thereby. It was also argued whether the Jury were made Judges of Law as well as Fact. The Court directed the Jury to consider the Truth of the Allegations laid in the Information, the Nature of the Publication, and the Import of the Words charged to be criminal.

Last Night his R. Highness the Prince of Wales, with two of the Princesses, was at the Theatre in Lincoln's inn-fields, and saw the new Opera call'd *Momus turn'd Fabulist*, or, *Kulcan's Wedding*, performed with great Applause.

They write from Amsterdam, that for 3 Days they had violent Weather, whereby considerable Damage was done to Vessels in the Texel, and along the Coast.

The *True Love*, Capt. Rogers, from Gibraltar, to Bristol, was lost the 26th past, in Cornwall, and 4 Men and one Woman drowned.

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Last Friday, about 4 o'Clock in the Morning, two Highwaymen attack'd the poor Market Women going to Epping Market to buy Provisions. They took from one of them 2 l. 6 sh. cut a Girl off her Panniers, and threatned to take away her Horse: But after abusing on old Woman very much, they left her Horse, hearing some Travellers coming towards them, and made off with the Money: Upon which the other Higglers are afraid to go to Market.

Deal, Decem. 3. There are now remaining in the Downs 80 Sail of Ships outward bound.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

|||| The Wood of ALLOA, consisting of Oak, Ash, Alder or Arns, and some Birch. lying hard by the Harbour of Alloa, from whence the Timber may be easily transported by Water, is to be exposed to Sale by way of publick Auction or Roup, in the Tolbooth of Alloa, on the first Wednesday (which is the Fourth Day) of February 1730. The Articles of Roup and Sale may be seen at any Time, after the first Day of January next; at Edinburgh, in John's Coffeehouse; at Stirling, in the Hands of John Watson Writer there; and at Alloa, in the Hands of John Erskine Clerk of Alloa.

|||| That there is to be Sold at Birkhill, at very reasonable Rates, several Sorts of YOUNG TREES in Nurseries, fit for planting out; consisting of Oak, Ash, Plain, Elm, Beech, Hollies, Ewes and Birks. Any who has a mind for the same, may enquire at Birkhill, or at Alexander Aitkens Vintner at Dundee Water Side.

|||| That the TENEMENTS of LAND after mentioned, (lying within the City of Edinburgh) which belonged to the deceased ROBERT STARK Writer in Edinburgh, viz. A Tenement of Land in the Close called *The Back of Bess Wynd*, consisting of four Storeys, with Closets, Cellars and Garrets, being of yearly Rent about £. 24 05 08 sterl. and that other Tenement of Land in *Preston's Close*, commonly called *Stewart's Close*, on the North Side of the Street, near the Cross, consisting of five Storeys, and a Top or Garret-storey, with Closets and Cellars belonging thereto, paying £. 34 15 sh. sterl. of yearly Rent: ARE to be exposed to voluntary Roup and Sale, by the Relict of the said deceased Robert Stark, as having Right thereto from her Husband; each of the said Tenements by themselves, either in full or in different Storeys, as Purchasers shall desire, upon the Eighth Day of January next, at Three of the clock after Noon, within the House of Mrs. Nicholson Vint-

ner in Edinburgh. The particular Rental, Progress and Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of ADAM MERCER Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in the Head of Liberton's Wynd.

|||| To be Sold, to the highest Bidder, at *Thornhill* in the Shire of Dumfries, on the 13th Day of January 1730, a large Wood of fine OLD OAK, growing on the Grounds of the Barony of Keir, about seven Miles distant from the Town of Dumfries. The Conditions of Sale to be seen in the Hands of JOHN DALRYMPLE of Waterside, at his House near Thornhill; JOHN NEILSON of Chapel, at his House in Dumfries; and THOMAS GOLDIE Writer to the Signet, at his Writing chamber in Brounhill's Square, Lann-market, Edinburgh.

|||| That the Roup and Sale of the Lands of GLADSTANES and GREENSHALLS, lying in the Parish of Liberton, and Shire of Lanark, holding Feu of the Laird of Carnwath, paying yearly One thousand Six hundred and sixty eight Pound six Shilling and Eight Penies Scots in Money, one Chalder and an half of Meal, and Half a Chalder of Bear; both large Measure, beside Kains and Carriages not rentall'd; with the Deduction of £. 168 of Feu and Teind Duty from the said Rent: And the Roup and Sale of the Lands of MOUNT, lying in the Parish of Monymear and Shire of Fife, and Teinds of the same; the Lands holding Taxward, at a very low Taxation, and the Teids, Blanche of the Crown; paying of yearly Rent Seven Hundred and thirty three Pound, Six Shillings, Eight Penies in Money, and Eight Bolls of Oats, besides Kains and Carriages not rentall'd: ARE Prorogued by the Trustees for the Creditors of Merchiston and Lethem, to Friday next the 12th of December Inst. and are to be then exposed to Sale, in the House of William Gray Vintner in the Assembly-close, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon. The Rentals, Progresses of Writs, and Conditions of Roup of the said several Lands, are to be seen in the Hands of James Haliburton Writer to the Signet, and Clerk to the said Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota, The Lands of Mount give a Vote for a Member of Parliament.

|||| There is just now come Home from Cadix in Spain, a Parcel of very fine Seville Oranges and Limons, and from Portugal, true China Oranges, all large fresh and good, also good Spanish Nuts, with all Sorts of Pippens and Baking Apples: All to be Sold at ARCHBALD SHEELS his Shop at the *Hand and Orange*, the South side of the Street, a little below the Cross well; or at his Warehouse in Leith, the first Loft above the Weigh-house, in Wholesale or Retail, and that at easier Rates than any where else in Town. At which Shop may be had, Sugars of all Sorts, all manner of Delf and Earthen Ware, and all other Shop Goods, as good and reasonable as any where else.

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